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MEMORANDUM FOR: ADPC

SUBJECT: Summation and Comment CINCNELM Staff-OPC Group
Conference, 22 September, Pentagon

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1. Messrs. [redacted] Ruddock, [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] 1st Admiral Bolger, Captains Fletcher, Ford and
Knowall, USN, participants in conference.

2. Mr. [redacted] presented the genesis, under its charter, and
functioning of OPC to its present state of development, plus a review
of past contacts with CINCNELM.

3. Captain Ford developed CINCNELM relationships to covert opera-
tions and referred to their present orders, which brings OPC into their
orbit officially for certain relationships.

4. The discussion (led by Mr. [redacted] of specific and types of
OPC activities, in CINCNELM area of responsibility for operations, plus
the apparent desirability of OPC specialized application to, and
coordination in, planning for clandestine missions (in peace or war)
brought the suggestion from Captain Ford and invitation that appro-
priate liaison at CINCNELM headquarters would be welcome. Mr. [redacted]
responded also welcoming this as a means for effective discharge of
OPC functions both in support of, and in coordination with CINCNELM.

[redacted] (OPC), advised that at present,
in anticipation of coordination with CINCNELM, an appropriate officer
has been in readiness to effect special liaison between CINCNELM and
OPC for the [redacted] operation exclusively.

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5. [REDACTED] in its relation to Navy support was discussed particularly concerning character of support required and security to the Navy.

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Mr. [REDACTED] took the opportunity to emphasize and enjoin the conferees that all OPC operations by their very nature, in protection to foreign and domestic relations, called for treatment in strict security. To further implement a meeting of minds concerning long range planning liaison, Mr. [REDACTED] made clear his intention to select a staff member fully capable to qualify for OPC plans and policy duty with CINCHELM. (It was pointed out as a matter of information that [REDACTED] 25X1A effects from Washington the immediate channels of liaison with CINCHELM).

6. Captain Ford and Captain Fletcher made reference that there now exist indicators to them of certain wartime missions in order of priority in the CINCHELM area which fall within the category of OPC activity, and which are pertinent for joint OPC-CINCHELM planning.

Comment: Significant Results:

1. Clarification to a receptive CINCHELM staff of OPC's role in support of their wartime special missions.
2. Mutual appreciation of the propriety for an OPC plans and policy officer accredited to CINCHELM staff.
3. OPC's mission and role of coordination with CINCHELM in peacetime.

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ABSTRACT NOTATION REFERENCES

ADPC and others met with Admiral Bolger, Captains Fletcher, Ford and Knowell, USN briefed them on OPC's mission and certain activities including [REDACTED]. It was agreed that an OPC liaison officer should be placed with CINCNELM to deal with joint peacetime and war planning.

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